

**Amendments to the Claims**

The following listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application.

**Listing of Claims**

- 1           1. (Original) A method comprising
- 2           receiving a packet comprising one or more sample blocks of a stream, and
- 3           discarding any partial sample block of the packet that remains after
- 4           detecting an end of the packet.
  
- 5           2. (Original) The method of claim 1 further comprising
- 6           receiving an actual packet length for the packet, and
- 7           detecting the end of the packet based upon the actual packet length.
  
- 8           3. (Original) The method of claim 1 further comprising detecting the end of
- 9           the packet in response to receiving a sync signal of the stream.
  
- 10          4. (Original) The method of claim 1 further comprising detecting the end of
- 11          the packet in response to detecting another packet of the stream.
  
- 12          5. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 1 further comprising
- 13          receiving an expected packet length indicative of a number of complete
- 14          sample blocks for the packet,

15 receiving an actual packet length indicative of a number of complete  
16 sample blocks for the packet, and  
17 accepting the number of complete sample blocks indicated by the actual  
18 packet length despite the expected packet length indicating fewer complete  
19 sample blocks than the actual packet length.

20 6. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 1 further comprising  
21 receiving an expected packet length indicative of a number of complete  
22 sample blocks for the packet,  
23 receiving an actual packet length indicative of a number of complete  
24 sample blocks for the packet, and  
25 accepting only the number of complete sample blocks of the packet  
26 indicated by the actual packet length despite the expected packet length  
27 indicating more complete sample blocks than the actual packet length.

28 7. (Original) The method of claim 1 further comprising transferring only  
29 complete sample blocks of the packet to a buffer of a memory.

30 8. (Original) The method of claim 1 further comprising classifying any  
31 sample block having less than a defined number of bytes as a partial sample  
32 block.

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34           27. (Previously Presented) An article comprising a machine-readable  
35 medium that contains instructions, which when executed by a processing  
36 platform, cause said processing platform to perform operations comprising:  
37           receiving a packet comprising one or more sample blocks of a stream, and  
38           discarding any partial sample block of the packet that remains after  
39 detecting an end of the packet.

40           28. (Previously Presented) The article of claim 27, wherein said operations  
41 further comprise:  
42           receiving an actual packet length for the packet, and  
43           detecting the end of the packet based upon the actual packet length.

44           29. (Previously Presented) The article of claim 27, wherein said operations  
45 further comprise detecting the end of the packet in response to receiving a sync  
46 signal of the stream.

47           30. (Previously Presented) The article of claim 27, wherein said operations  
48 further comprise detecting the end of the packet in response to detecting another  
49 packet of the stream.

50           31. (Previously Presented) The article of claim 27, wherein said operations  
51 further comprise  
52           receiving an expected packet length indicative a number of complete  
53 sample blocks for the packet,

54 receiving an actual packet length indicative of a number of complete  
55 sample blocks for the packet, and  
56 accepting the number of complete sample blocks indicated by the actual  
57 packet length despite the expected packet length indicating fewer complete  
58 sample blocks than the actual packet length.

59 32. (Previously Presented) The article of claim 27, wherein said operations  
60 further comprise:

61 receiving an expected packet length indicative a number of complete  
62 sample blocks for the packet,  
63 receiving an actual packet length indicative of a number of complete  
64 sample blocks for the packet, and  
65 accepting only the number of complete sample blocks of the packet  
66 indicated by the actual packet length despite the expected packet length  
67 indicating more complete sample blocks than the actual packet length.

68 33. (Previously Presented) The article of claim 27, wherein said operations  
69 further comprise transferring only complete sample blocks of the packet to a  
70 buffer of a memory.

1 34. (Previously Presented) The article of claim 27, wherein said operations  
2 further comprise classifying any sample block having less than a defined number of  
3 bytes as a partial sample block.